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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**APPLICANT:** Oberle et al. **GROUP:** 3682  
**SERIAL NO:** 10/714,410 **EXAMINER:** Justin Krause  
**FILED:** November 14, 2003  
**FOR:** POWER-ASSISTED STEERING HAVING A GEAR MECHANISM

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), petition is made for a THREE (3) month extension of time to file the attached Amendment, in response to the Office Action dated February 20, 2007.

A check in the amount of \$1,020.00 is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any further extension and/or fee that is required to Deposit Order Account 50-3381.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on August 20, 2007 with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

  
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